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Identif	ier No.:	57471/03-380
For (ti	tle):	REINFORCED CUE STICK
1.	Type	of Application
This n	ew appl	ication is for a(n)
		(check one applicable item below)
	[X] [ ] [ ] [ ] [ ]	Original (nonprovisional) Design Plant Divisional. Continuation. Continuation-in-part (C-I-P).
2.	Benef	it of Prior U.S. Application(s) (35 U.S.C. Sections 119(e), 120, or 121)
	[]	The new application being transmitted claims the benefit of prior U.S. application(s).  This application is a of corresponding application Serial No, filed
3.	Paper	s Enclosed
	A.	Required for Filing Date under 37 C.F.R. Section 1.53(b) (Regular) or 37 C.F.R. Section 1.153 (Design) Application
		(complete the following, if applicable)

	[ ]	TO ACCEPT PHOTOGRAPH(S) AS DRAWING(S)." 37 C.F.R. Section 1.84(b).
		[ ] Formal [ ] Informal
	B.	Other Papers Enclosed
		Pages of declaration and power of attorney Pages of assignment X Nonpublication Request and Certification under 35 U.S.C. 122 (b)(2)(B)(i) (1 pg) X Initial Application Data Sheet (3 pg) None Other
1.	Addit	ional Papers Enclosed
	[]	Amendment to claims  [ ] Cancel in this applications claims before calculating the filing fee.  (At least one original independent claim must be retained for filing purposes.)  [ ] Add the claims shown on the attached amendment. (Claims added have been numbered consecutively following the highest numbered original claims.)
	[]	Preliminary Amendment Information Disclosure Statement (37 C.F.R. Section 1.98) Form PTO-1449 (PTO/SB/08A and 08B)
	[]	Citations Declaration of Biological Deposit Submission of "Sequence Listing," computer readable copy and/or amendment pertaining thereto for biotechnology invention containing nucleotide and/or amino acid sequence.
		NOTE: I hereby state that the information recorded in computer readable form is identical to the written (on paper or compact disc) sequence listing. See 37 CFR 1.821(f).
	[]	Authorization of Attorney(s) to Accept and Follow Instructions from Representa- tive
	[]	Special Comments Other

5.	Declaration or Oath (including power of attorney)				
	[ ]	Enclosed (Copy of original submitted to PTO on 05/27/98)  Executed by  (check all applicable boxes)  [] inventor(s).  [] legal representative of inventor(s). 37 C.F.R. Section 1.42 or 1.43.  [] joint inventor or person showing a proprietary interest on behalf of inventor who refused to sign or cannot be reached.  [] This is the petition required by 37 C.F.R. Section 1.47 and the statement required by 37 C.F.R. Section 1.47 is also attached. See item 13 below for fee.  Not Enclosed.  [] Application is made by a person authorized under 37 C.F.R. 1.41 on behalf of all the above named inventor(s).			
		[ ] Showing that the filing is authorized.  (not required unless called into question. 37 C.F.R. Section 1.41(d))			
6.	Inven	torship Statement			
	The in	eventorship for all the claims in this application are:			
	[X]	The same.			
	[]	Not the same. An explanation, including the ownership of the various claims at the time the last claimed invention was made,  [ ] is submitted.  [ ] will be submitted.			
7.	Langi	1age			
	[X] [ ]	English Non-English			
		[ ] The attached translation includes a statement that the translation is accurate. 37 C.F.R. Section 1.52(d).			

# 8. Assignment

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An as	ssignme	ent of the inve	ention to			
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# 9. Certified Copy

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## 10. Fee Calculation (37 C.F.R. Section 1.16)

### A. [X] Regular application

### **CLAIMS AS FILED**

Claims	Number Filed	Basic Fee Allowance	Number Extra	Rate	Basic Fee 37 C.F.R. Section 1.16(a) \$770.00
Total Claims (37 C.F.R. Section 1.16(c))	25	- 20 =	5 x	\$ 18.00	\$90.00
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				Filing Fee C	alculation		\$860.00
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	C.	[ ] Plant applicat (\$480.0037 C.F.R.		n 1.16(g)) Filing Fee C	alculation	ı	\$
11.	Smal	ll Entity Statement(s)					
	[]	Statement(s) that thi 1.27 is (are) attached		ling by a smal	l entity un	der 37 C.F.	R. Section 1.9
		(comp	lete the	e following, if a	applicable	)	
	[]	Status as a small ent	ity was enefit i	claimed in pri s being claime	or applica d for this a	tionapplication	, filed on under:
		35 U.S.C. Section	[]	119(e), 121,	[]	120, 365(c),	
		and which status as	a small	entity is still p	roper and	desired.	
		[ ] A copy of the	e staten	nent in the pric	or applicat	ion is inclu	ded.
		Filing Fee Calculation	on (50%	% of A, B or C	above)	\$_	

12.	Requ	est for	International-Type Search (37 C.F.R. Section 1.104	<b>l</b> (d))
			(complete, if applicable)	
	[]		e prepare an international-type search report for this national examination on the merits takes place.	application at the time
13.	Fee F	Payment	t Being Made at This Time	
	[X]	Not E [X]	Inclosed  No filing fee is to be paid at this time.  (This and the surcharge required by 37 C.F.R. Section 1.16(e)	) can be paid subsequently.)
	[]	Enclo	sed	
		[]	Filing fee	\$
		[]	Recording assignment (\$40.00; 37 C.F.R. Section 1.21(h)) (See attached "COVER SHEET FOR ASSIGNMENT ACCOMPANYING NEW APPLICATION.")	\$
		[]	Petition fee for filing by other than all the inventors or person on behalf of the inventor where inventor refused to sign or cannot be reached (\$130.00; 37 C.F.R. Sections 1.47 and 1.17(I))	! \$
		[]	For processing an application with a specification in a non-English language (\$130.00; 37 C.F.R. Sections 1.52(d) and 1.17(k))	\$
		[]	Processing and retention fee (\$130.00; 37 C.F.R. Sections 1.53(d) and 1.21(l))	\$
		[]	Fee for international-type search report (\$40.00; 37 C.F.R. Section 1.21(e))	\$

Total Fees Enclosed

14.	Method of Payment of Fees				
	[]	Check in the amount of \$			
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15.	Auth	orization to Charge Additional Fees			
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		[ ] 37 C.F.R. Section 1.16(a), (f) or (g) (filing fees)			
		[ ] 37 C.F.R. Section 1.16(b), (c) and (d) (presentation of extra claims)			
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### NONPUBLICATION REQUEST UNDER 35 U.S.C. 122 (b)(2)(B)(i)

Docket No.	57471/03-380
Inventor	Michael NALLY et al.
Title	Reinforced cue stick

I hereby certify that the invention disclosed in the attached application has not and will not be the subject of an application filed in another country, or under a multilateral agreement, that requires publication at eighteen months after filing. I hereby request that the attached application not be published under 35 U.S.C. 122(b).

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Date

Signature

R. Alan Weeks, Attorney of Record

Typed or printed name

Registration No. 36,050

This request must be signed in compliance with 37 CFR 1.33(b) and submitted with the application upon filing.

Applicant may rescind this nonpublication request at any time. If applicant rescinds a request that an application not be published under 35 U.S.C. 122(b), the application will be scheduled for publication at eighteen months from the earliest claimed filing date for which a benefit is claimed.

If applicant subsequently files an application directed to the invention disclosed in the attached application in another country, or under a multilateral international agreement, that requires publication of applications eighteen months after filing, the applicant must notify the United States Patent and Trademark Office of such filing within forty-five (45) days after the date of filing of such foreign or international application. Failure to do so will result in abandonment of this application (35 U.S.C. 122(b)(2)(B)(iii)).